

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)

Applicant(s): Brassart et al.

Docket No.

112701-052

Serial No.
09/445,796

Filing Date
March 13, 2000

MAR 9 8 2004

Examiner

Group Art Unit
1651

Invention: ABSORPTION OF MINERALS BY INTESTINAL CELLS

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	14 -	20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>				\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

- No additional fee is required for amendment.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____.
- A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818
 - Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Dated: March 4, 2004

Signature

**Robert M. Barrett, Reg. No. 30,142
BELL, BOYD & LLOYD LLC
P.O. Box 1135
Chicago, IL 60690-1135
(312) 807-4204**

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on
March 4, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service as first
class mail under 37C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the
for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450.

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

Karin Barrett

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Brassart et al.
Appl. No.: 09/445,796
Filed: March 13, 2000
Title: ABSORPTION OF MINERALS BY INTESTINAL CELLS
Art Unit: 1651
Conf. No. 1391
Examiner: V. Afremova
Docket No.: 112701-052

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

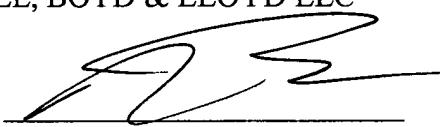
In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on February 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit herewith a revised Amendment for the above-identified application, which now includes a complete listing of all claims and their status.

Applicants believe no fee is due in connection with this Response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account 02-1818.

Respectfully submitted,

BELL, BOYD & LLOYD LLC

BY



Robert M. Barrett
Reg. No. 30,142
P.O. Box 1135
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1135
Phone: (312) 807-4204

Dated: March 4, 2004



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Brassart et al.
Appl. No.: 09/445,796
Conf. No. 1391
Filed: March 13, 2000
Title: ABSORPTION OF MINERALS BY INTESTINAL CELLS
Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: V. Afremova
Docket No.: 112701-052

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.